U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of NEIL R. STEIN <u>and</u> DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, Richmond, VA

Docket No. 99-2165; Submitted on the Record; Issued March 6, 2001

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, BRADLEY T. KNOTT, PRISCILLA ANNE SCHWAB

The issue is whether the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs abused its discretion in approving an attorney's fee in the amount of \$5,927.50 for services rendered from December 1991 through October 1994.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of the parties on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the June 2, 1999 decision of the Office hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

Accordingly, the decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated June 2, 1999 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC March 6, 2001

> Willie T.C. Thomas Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

Priscilla Anne Schwab Alternate Member